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TOPIC Soviet Troops in Mauer Oehling, Gaming and Melk	
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- On 11 November 1954, 2 SU-76 SP guns, 62 counted and an estimated 18 other motor vehicles and 3 field kitchens were observed under shedroofs in the area of the former Landesheilanstalt (district mental hospital) in Mauer Oehling (O 49/W 26). A lieutenant colonel and 2 majors all three of whom wore black-bordered red epaulets, 2 majors who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, a captain who wore black-bordered black epaulets and an undetermined number of soldiers who wore black-bordered red and red-bordered black epaulets, some with artillery insignia, observed at the installation. Motor vehicles observed at the site included truck with a driver wearing black-bordered red epaulets jeep and ambulance all with drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets.¹ 25X1
- On 2 November 1954, a major and 2 soldiers, all three of whom wore black-bordered red epaulets, and a soldier, who wore red-bordered black epaulets, were observed at the former convent in Gaming (O 48/W 45). The building was guarded by a sentry who wore black-bordered red epaulets. It was believed that the installation was unsuitable for quartering units exceeding the battalion size. Six trucks and a small gun without a muzzle brake, which was partially hidden behind a truck and was presumably a 57-mm AT gun, were observed in the convent park which was enclosed by a board fence. Horses were observed at exercises in the convent area. Truck with a driver wearing black-bordered red epaulets left the convent toward Scheibbs (O 49/W 56). Sedan with a driver wearing black-bordered red epaulets, which was occupied by an officer who wore black-bordered red epaulets entered the area of the installation. 25X1
- On 10 November 1954, lights were observed through almost all windows of the Birago Kaserne in Melk (O 49/W 68) which was guarded by a sentry who wore red-bordered black epaulets. A lieutenant colonel, 2 majors who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and a major who wore black-bordered black epaulets were observed at the installation. Soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets were seen moving about in the area. Trucks and jeep all with drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, were observed at the installation which was apparently occupied to capacity.³ 25X1

- Comment.** The regimental headquarters, the regimental units and at least a battalion of the 290th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt are stationed at Mauer Oehling. 25X1

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. Gaming has long been known as the station of at least one Soviet company. It is fairly definitely believed that component units of the 290th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt, possibly a battalion headquarters and component units of a battalion of this regiment, are stationed there. 25X1

3. [REDACTED] Comment. Melk is the station of the 233d Bds Gun Arty Regt [REDACTED]

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